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Father Regan and Jim Ryan try out portable TV, to be raffled today.

The "Prep Shadows" Ad Campaign climaxed Monday, Nov. 17, having fully achieved its goal of \$7,000 for financing the yearbook. Late ads raised the sum to a total of close to \$9,000, a record sum for any campaign to date. The moderators expressed their sincere gratitude to all students who helped produce the huge success.

Two classes, one sophomore, and the other a junior, tied for first place for the "Triple Treat." Sections 2-2 and 3-5 surged ahead late in the campaign. Their ambition won for both classes their desired goals.

The sophomore class chose to visit St. Joseph's Minor Seminary at Princeton, New Jersey, Wednesday, Nov. 18. During their seven hour sojourn, the students were allowed full use of all sports facilities, and were later taken on a tour of the entire seminary grounds. The Prepsters had lunch with the seminarians a short while after their arrival. On the return trip, they stopped at a restaurant for supper.

Juniors see Broadway show.

The junior class, 3-5, chose to see a movie on Broadway, "The Big Country," on the same day. They left after lunch for the movie, and had supper in a New York restaurant following the show.

Fr. Mannion Compares Fathers With Christ

The annual St. John's Father-Son Communion Breakfast took place at the St. George Hotel's Grand Ballroom, Sunday, Nov. 2. A 9:00 A.M. Mass at St. Charles Borromeo Church preceded the event. The Rev. Thomas Concagh, C.M., Prep Spiritual Director, celebrated the Mass.

The fathers and sons made a mass demonstration of Catholicism by receiving Communion and walking as a body up the few streets to the hotel.

After breakfast, Fr. Concagh introduced the Rev. Edward Mannion, C.M., moderator of activities at St. John's University. Fr. Mannion described the three-fold purpose of Christ's stay on earth and applied this principal to the father today. He listed the ideas as the obligation of the father to teach, rule and sanctify the members of his family and to provide as best he can for their welfare.

Following Fr. Mannion's speech, Fr. Concagh presented the Honorable James Cuite, President of the Catholic War Veterans, and a state senator, who spoke of the father-son relationships in the Catholic family.

Hon. Dooley, Mr. Dolen Will Speak At 13th Prep Alumni Banquet Tonight

The thirteenth annual Reunion Banquet of the St. John's Prep Alumni Association will take place tonight, Wednesday evening, November 26. This year the banquet will be held in the grand ballroom of the Hotel Towers, 25 Clark Street, Brooklyn, as was announced in the last issue of the Red Owl.

Habemus Papam

Members of the administration, faculty, and student body of St. John's Prep joined the Catholic world in rejoicing the election of Angelo Cardinal Roncalli to ascend the Throne of Peter as Pope John XXIII.

Pope John, elected October 28, after three days of balloting by the College of Cardinals, succeeds the late Pope Pius XII as Vicar of Christ.

Born Nov. 25, 1881, in the village of Sotto il Monte, Italy, the present pontiff received Holy Orders Aug. 10, 1904. A distinguished professor, linguist, author, and scholar, he has manifested himself as an ardent member of the Vatican missionary and diplomatic corps for over thirty years.

The Hon. Edwin Dooley, Class of '22, will be guest speaker. Hon. Dooley, an all-American quarterback at Dartmouth, at one time had his own sports program on WNBC in New York. A writer, he has already authored one novel, *Under the Goalposts*. In the recent elections, he survived the Democratic landslide, emerging the only Republican official in Westchester County.

Toastmaster of the Event will be Mr. William Dolan, Class of '49. Mr. Dolan holds the post of convention manager for the Astor and Manhattan Hotels. He also serves as a member of Toastmasters' International.

Arrangements for the banquet were completed by the moderator of the Alumni Association, the Rev. Joseph P. McCaffrey, C.M., and by Mr. George McNamara, financial secretary, and Mr. Arthur Gribbin, executive secretary. These three worked together for weeks to complete notification and invitation of the 7500 Prep Alumni.

In Brief

The Guidance and Science Departments jointly urged seniors and juniors interested in science to attend the sixth annual Career Conference, sponsored by the Technical Societies Council of New York.

Over twenty-five Prepsters attended November 22, at New York University, Washington Square. Special panels discussed the important fields of engineering in conjunction with the International Geophysical Year.

Freshmen Learn Techniques Of Newswriting From Red Owl

The Red Owl staff includes a majority of senior writers, whose positions will be difficult to fill upon their graduation. For this reason, Mr. Robert Fountaine, Red Owl faculty adviser, presently moderates a journalism class for students interested in writing.

Twenty Five Enter Moore Honor Society

Twenty-five Prepsters officially joined the Moore Honor Society at a recent assembly. The Rev. Thomas Concagh, C.M., moderator of the society, conducted the acceptance ceremonies. With these new members, there are now 37 students enrolled in the organization.

Each member, having fulfilled certain qualifications, pledges to continue his high character, scholarship and service to the school. He also serves as an incentive to other students to work for the same high standings. As a part of the advantages of membership, each student enrolled in the society who achieves the minimum of 85% average each month receives a half day off.

The group of about fifteen members meets each Tuesday in room 402 of the Lewis Avenue building to discuss various phases of developing their talents.

The success of this undertaking depends upon how the future newspapermen learn. The editors of the Red Owl presently assist Mr. Fountaine in his extra-curricular endeavors to continue the success of the paper in the following years.

Aids Poor Students

The course includes vocabulary usage, English composition, technical grammar aids and an introduction to modern journalism. Thus, this activity is beneficial not only to prospective writers, but also to those who are poor in English.

Those who complete this voluntary course will form the backbone of the future Red Owl staff.



Poster Service Squad members prepare murals for Parents' Social.

Parents Dine, Dance at Social; Party Becomes Annual Event

Four hundred parents of the Prepsters attended a social get-together in DeGray Hall last Saturday night, November 22. This party, held for both the mothers and fathers of the students, was requested by several of the parents, following the success of the Christmas Party last year.

The social affair began at 8:30 with a catered buffet supper served in the cafeteria adjacent to the auditorium, and followed with a dance. Orders for the tickets, sold at \$5 per couple, were reserved in a few days.

Lou Bacotti and his band supplied the music as the couples danced to the rhythm of old time favorites, as well as recent popular songs.

It was after the Father-Son Communion Breakfast last November that the Rev. John Nelson, C.M., planned a social event which would include the fathers as well as the mothers of the students.

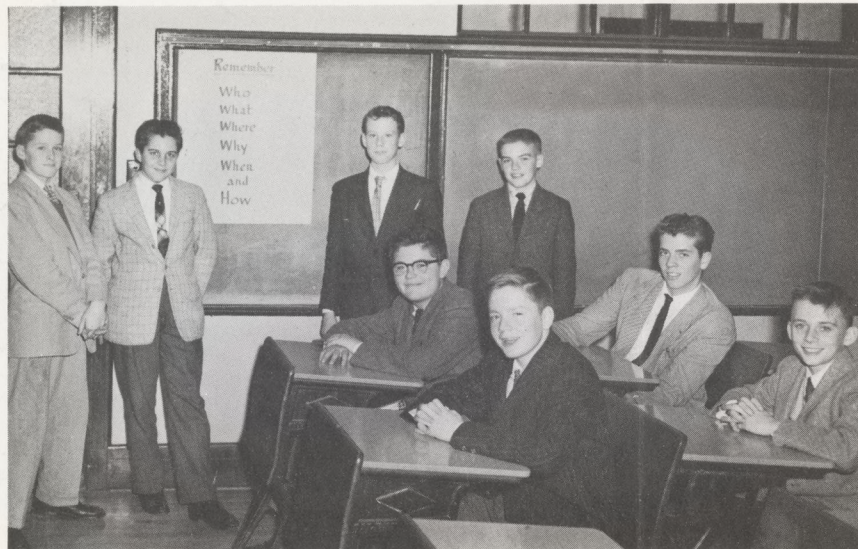
The success of last year's affair and the many requests for a similar future gathering persuaded Fr. Nelson to stage another party for the deserving parents, who rarely get to such an event.

R. I. P.

Deeply saddened by his death, many Prepsters recited the rosary for the departed soul of the Most Rev. Edmund J. Reilly, Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn, Thursday evening, Nov. 6, at Our Lady of Angels Church. A Solemn Pontifical Mass, offered by the Bishop of Brooklyn, Most Rev. Bryan J. McEntegart, followed the next day.

Born March 25, 1897, Bishop Reilly died Monday evening, Nov. 3. He studied for the priesthood at St. John's College and received Holy Orders in 1922. In June, 1955, the Holy Father designated him Bishop.

After the consecration, Bishop Reilly continued to serve as pastor of Our Lady of Angels Church.



Journalism class poses for picture during session.

Across The Desk



Alumni And You

by George McNamara, Secretary of the Alumni Association

Genuine loyalty to St. John's Prep begins rather than ends on graduation night. You need very little Prep spirit to know you belong to St. John's while you share, day after day, in the fortunes of the school. The real test of loyalty comes when you've "left home" and gone on to higher education or your chosen field of occupation.

Some graduates, on Commencement night, will realize that this sense of loyalty is based firmly on gratitude. It includes appreciation for the sacrifices of their parents and of the clergy and laymen of St. John's faculty, all of whom made their education possible at the Prep. Sooner or later, each graduate recognizes his debt to the Prep for any success he achieves in life.

Just as no one ever breaks the ties binding him to his family, so also the Prep graduate never ceases to be a St. John's man. Fortunately, we have an active Alumni Association, to foster the spirit of loyalty to the Prep. Through the Alumni Association, the St. John's graduate can learn what is happening at his alma mater, obtain spiritual comfort or advice on the problems he encounters, or, if need be, secure an introduction to former Prepsters in his own line of endeavor.

Moreover, the activities of the Alumni Association will enable him to maintain his Prepster friendships even though scholastic and occupational pathways diverge widely after graduation. At the Communion Breakfasts or the Reunion Banquets, St. John's graduates relive the memories of their Prep careers and strengthen the friendly ties which bind them to the same alma mater.

It is difficult to convince a high school student that these are the happiest, most carefree years of his life. As the conviction grows on him in later years, he will more readily appreciate the advantages of supporting the St. John's Prep Alumni Association and its many activities.

Gym All

by Jack Hennessy

After discovering that Mr. Kelly has proved his absence pass not to be of phony origin and that Mr. Brady is proceeding to rip up his just started Chemistry homework, Joe Prep reluctantly (does he have a choice?) decides to join the common masses and take his bi-weekly P.T.

Joe finds his way to his locker by his rather keen sense of smell. He finally succeeds in opening his combination lock (after only four years of practice) but he encounters great difficulty in opening the locker door. After a few savage kicks with his combat boots, Joe casually puts his foot through the locker door. While trying to extricate his foot, Joe pulls back viciously and knocks over a row of lockers behind him on top of some Prepsters dressing for a period in the pool.

Following a few short prayers over their remains, Joe continues to dress for gym. After whistling once or twice, his brown, corroded, foul-smelling gym suit jumps out of the locker and to his side. The gym suit is now ready for its five-hundredth consecutive use, (that's without washing, of course) and it sets a new Prep record. Joe tests his sweat sox by tossing them up to the ceiling. If they return, they're okay. However, if they don't, you will probably see them sticking there until they disintegrate. No one dares touch them. After chasing his sneakers around the locker room, Joe enters the gym (head first.) With such crowded conditions, Joe gets a court all by himself, strange as it may seem.

Finally Joe got a game with his classmates. He had a wonderful time. He sank every shot he took. The reason for such a commendable feat was probably that the man covering Joe dared not to go near him for fear of being overcome by the wicked aroma.

Unfortunately, the period finally came to an end. As Joe was walking out of the gym (alone), Mr. Kelly walked over and said, "Joe, do you have a man's problem?"

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Gratitude To God

Everyone knows the story of Thanksgiving. The Pilgrims came to a new continent and suffered the hardships of settling this primitive land. Within a year, with the aid of the native Indians, they overcame their hardships. Being a God-loving people, they wished to thank the Creator for all He gave them in the form of a good harvest and for the help of the friendly Indians. From that first humble Thanksgiving, this manifestation of gratitude to God has spread throughout our abundant America.

We live in a country where abundance for all is not a dream, but a reality; where the devastations and crimes of war have been the exception rather than the rule. It is a country that shows the boundless blessings which God has bestowed on us. At present we the American people and we the Catholic people have been forgetting all our blessings. We have been desiring and receiving, but we have hardly ever been thankful. Although we should not stop wanting to receive blessings, because by not wanting

to help ourselves we would be going against our nature, we should keep in mind that only if we thank God will we continue to receive His blessings. If no gratitude is shown for his favors, a person will think that the receiver is indifferent to his kindness. As a result, he will stop giving them. So it is with God, although our neglect to thank Him stems from forgetfulness rather than indifference or ungratefulness.

This year let us remember the blessings we have received. If we just give a little thought to it we will find that we have many, many blessings. The knowledge of all the good things we have received and will receive should make us more thankful. We will realize how fortunate we are to be most important, a Catholic and also a citizen of a country where the practice of our faith is not prevented in any way. In countries dominated by Communism people relish freedom more highly than we because they know what it is to be oppressed. Therefore, we should ask God that we may never experience that loss, but that we always have the means to practice what we know is right.

The Intruder

by John Yanovich

Harry pretended to get along fine with his new neighbor, but he secretly hated this intruder. "Tonight," he thought, "she dies." The clock in his room slowly ticked off the minutes. Finally it struck three. What a perfect time to commit a murder!

A ledge below his window led from his room to hers. As he jumped onto the ledge, darkness enveloped him. He went down on all fours and began to crawl toward her window. He went as quietly as a kitten, pausing now and then to listen for any unusual sounds.

Having reached his destination, he quietly squeezed through the partially opened window and perched on the sill. She didn't stir. Leaping like an animal, Harry pounced on the sleeping form, hitting her about eight times with the powerful force of his whole body. Mission accomplished, Harry hopped back to the ledge and returned to his room.

The next morning Mrs. Malone woke him as she brought breakfast. Suddenly she dropped his food and stared at him. "Where did all that blood come from?"

After his murderous act, Harry had felt so tired that he went to bed, forgetting to clean himself. "Stupid, stupid," he thought.

Just then Mrs. Folsom rushed into the room. When she saw the blood-stained Harry, she stopped. "You dirty beast," she screamed, "you killed my precious canary. The A.S.P.C.A. should kill you, you mean cat."

Senior Spotlight

by Artie Griffin

Jim Kivlehan comes to St. John's from Our Lady of Angels Parish in Bay Ridge. During his years at the Prep, Jim has grown to be one of the leading characters on the social circuit.

Jim's list of activities contains Red Owl, Dance Committee, Poster Service and Boat Ride Committee. He has become president of the Booster Club and is an active member of the Prep Shadows staff. "Kive" also has been a member of the student council for three years and was a track man for one year.

However, Jim has become well known mostly as a result of his participation in the cheerleading squad. "Chief Kive" really wields a wicked hatchet as he struts around the football field every Sunday. As a result of this, the school spirit at the Prep has grown by leaps and bounds.

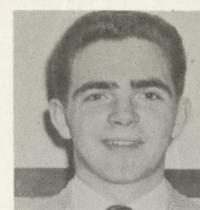
One of the greatest contributions from Corpus Christi Parish in Woodside, to St. John's, was that of Joe McGrath. Joe, since February of 1956, has brought much honor and glory to the Prep, besides contributing greatly to the inner spirit of St. John's.

Joe's activities in the Speech and Debate clubs have acquired the reputation for St. John's which it now holds. He has also been in intramurals, Dramatics, Student Council, Red Owl and Cafeteria Squad.

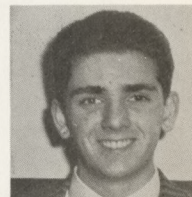
However, outstanding among the activities of Joe McGrath is that of the Glee Club. Recently, Joe returned from England, Ireland and Scotland where he went as a result of a talent contest. This is just one reflection on the honor that Joe has brought to the Prep.

From St. Vincent Ferrer Parish in Flatbush, Vinnie Accurso entered St. John's Prep in September of 1955. Since then he has become well known to the students of St. John's because of his winning personality and athletic powers.

Vinnie is a vital member of the track team and has been ever since he started hurling shotput. However, Vinnie is known among the student body more for his outstanding ability on the gridiron. In his spot as tackle Vinnie has proved to be one of the key players among the Prep eleven. This ability has recently been recognized by the Journal American for Vinnie has recently been accorded honorable mention in the Player of the Week Award.



Jim Kivlehan



Joe McGrath



Vinnie Accurso



Frank Orlando tries to break into the open.



Bill Hayden prepares to throw block.

Cadets Upset Redmen In Mud 26-14 Johnnies Sneak By Presidents 6-0

In two recent encounters the Prep gridmen have split with the opposition, losing to Xavier 26-14 and nipping Adams 6-0. The third encounter ended in a defeat by St. Francis, 26-6.

On Tuesday, October 28, the Injuns journeyed to Randall's Island to face the Cadets of Xavier. The Redmen attack was greatly handicapped because of poor playing conditions and a hard charging Cadet line.

Xavier scored first on a pass from Dick Maloney to Don Scharrar covering 15 yards. The play was set up by the recovery of an Injun fumble on the twenty. Minutes later Xaxier scored again on another run by Scharrar. A blocked quick-kick and some fine offensive faking produced this score.

The Hessmen broke into the scoring column on a 51 yard pass play from Gene McElroy to Frank Orlando. McElroy threw to Orlando on the thirty and Frank carried over from there.

Revitalized during half-time, the Indians went to the front on another McElroy to Orlando pass play. This was the last offensive play for the Prep as the Cadets heavy line took over. In the final period Scharrar scored twice more to put the contest on ice for the fired-up Cadets.

The Johnnies bounced back into the win column by virtue of a 6-0 win over Adams. Played to a scoreless tie for three periods, the Redmen scored the only touchdown on a three yard hop by McElroy. A bad kick by Vecchione, which was caught by Bill Brown while on his back, gave the Injun attack an impetus. Successive carries by McElroy, Orlando and Brown placed the ball on the three from where Gene carried it over.

The St. Francis Terriers, led by half-back Tom Armstead, defeated the Redmen eleven, 26-6, at Boys High Field, November 26th.

Armstead started things rolling with

a sizzling 50 yard run on a handoff from quarterback Pat Henning. The attempted two point conversion was halted by the Redmen line.

Still in the first quarter, Henning again handed off to Armstead, who ran 15 yards for the second Terrier touchdown. Bob Boeri caught a pass from Armstead for the two points.

In the second quarter, Marco and O'Brien scored touchdowns to make the score 26-0 at halftime.

The second half, however, was a different story. The Redmen came back to hold the Terriers to two scoreless quarters and to score a touchdown of their own. Bill Brown, who had been throwing and completing passes to no avail, connected with a long 25 yard pass to Frank Orlando who scampered for the touchdown. The conversion failed and the game ended with St. Francis winning, 26-6.



Coach Views:

The Big Game

by Herb Hess

At last, the big day has arrived. This means, also, that the BIG GAME is at hand. The annual Thanksgiving Day contest with our arch-rivals, Brooklyn Prep, climaxes the football seasons for both Prep schools. This game is as ivy-clad as Penn-Cornell, Yale-Harvard, Princeton-Rutgers or Army-Navy. It is one of the oldest rivalries in scholastic football in this area. It is a MUST on the social list of all students, friends and alumni of these Institutions. It is the grand finale of the football schedules of both Brooklyn Prep and St. John's Prep. NO ONE MISSES THIS GAME.

As in all traditional games, thrills and excitement are an annual fare. Surprises and more surprises continually keep the crowd on edge. One important observation in games such as this one is that pre-game statistics mean absolutely nothing. Records and accomplishments are cast aside almost at will. More often than not, the underdog rises to the occasion and emerges on top as the "upset" victor over the once-proud favorites. It is this constant tension and essence of expectancy that has drawn large crowds to this contest.

Aside from being the climax football game, this DATE furnishes the occasion of reunions among the alumni. In loads of cases, friends make appointments a year ahead by simply saying "I'll see you at the Prep game". It becomes automatic. No other occasion has that same mutual drawing power among the former students and friends of these Prep schools. They may miss other affairs but NEVER this one.

We never have to worry about the alumni's attendance at this game, but in recent years the response of the student body has been rather disappointing. In this regard, we urge you to make every effort to get out to this game—for all reasons. It is the beginning of a long line of annual dates that will occupy your attentions in history-making happenings. I know you will not be disappointed with the morning activities, regardless of the results of the game itself. Make it a MUST. You'll enjoy it. NO ONE MISSES THIS GAME.

Terriers Zip Papooses, 20-0; Tech Jay Vee Conquers 30-6

The J.V., suffering bad defeats in the first two games, are still looking for that initial win. The first blow was dealt by a powerful St. Francis team that blanked our papooses 20-0 in the opening game on October 18th. The Terriers, led by the fine play of quarterback Mansini, overpowered the Redmen on offense (scoring 20 points) while their excellent defensive play prevented the Johnnies from scoring. Ed Campbell captained the team on two occasions.

Keglers Divide Two; Ryan Heads Bowlers

The Prep Varsity Bowling Team, under the moderation of the Rev. John Hummel, C.M., has started its season in the C.H.S.A.A. with a victory over St. Francis Prep and a loss to St. Michael's. The team's captain for this year is 'Big' Jim Ryan. Greatly aiding the team is Frank Musumeci, the high scorer of the team with a 168 average over his four games.

The J.V. team began their campaign with 2 losses, to St. Francis Prep and St. Michaels. The high scoring man of the J.V. team is Joe Bencivenga who has an average of 121 in his four games.

Against Brooklyn Tech, in the second game, the Redmen fared slightly better, although it did not show in the 30-6 score compiled by Tech. The team played hard against the much bigger Tech players and gathered some vital experience for future games. The starting line-up for these games was Woltjen and Wendell at half-back; Brady at quarterback, and Tator at the fullback slot, while the line was composed of Campbell, McGowen ends, Janis and Kilorin guards, Minnichello and Wigmore tackles, with Sweitzer centering. There were some Redmen injuries in the Tech game, as Cannava and Woltjen were taken out. The single Redmen rally of the game was run before this on a pass from Cannava, to quarterback, McGowen.



Senior basketball intramural champs, 4A1.

4A¹ Wins Senior Intramurals Will Vie With Junior Champs

The Prep gym has been kept busy in the last month by the senior intramural teams. The victor, 4A¹, emerged over the other classes on the hardwood since they began playing daily on October 2nd.

Since the seniors have finished their contests, the juniors began three weeks ago and will continue until all of the classes have had a chance to play. When the juniors have finished, the best junior team and 4A¹ will play for the trophies and medals. The results of the senior and junior games are posted in the Prep corridor along with the soph and frosh results, as soon as they begin to play.

The Rev. William Finn, C.M., who has replaced Mr. Raymond Mahoney as moderator, hopes to play all the games in the Prep gym. If not the games will be shifted to the DeGray gym. It won't be long before the sophs and frosh will have a chance to spin on the hardwood, and try their luck for the awards. When a sophomore team has proved superior over the other classes they too will play the superior freshman team for the title.

Old Stalwarts Aid St. John's Frogmen

The Prep swimming team, moderated by Mr. Frank Waters and managed by Pete Brennan has a rather hopeful outlook for the coming season.

Decimated by graduation, the team is dependent on last year's freshmen stars, plus old stalwarts such as Richard Schneider, Gene Volini and Roy Valcich. Assisting them will be Gerry Magliollo and Bill Kilpatrick.

In the backstroke the frogmen will have Steve Rotheke and Cornelius Brown. In the breast stroke position will be Frank Traun and Jim McDonnell. All this plus the diving of Tom Farley and John Sinclair will insure the Prep of a good showing this year, in the C.H.S.A.A. swimming season.

Tomorrow is the big day.

Get out to the game.

Lang Strives Hard To Set Track Mark

This year as in previous years, the Prep track team has developed into a very potent unit. In their first encounters of this season the team has finished in high standings.

Among the members of the cross-country squad, Joe Lang, by his performances, has singled himself out as an outstanding runner. In October, Joe finished eighth out of five hundred at St. John's University Meet with a time of 13 minutes, 55 seconds for the two-and-a-half mile run. He then proceeded to finish sixth in both the Brooklyn-Long Island and private schools meets with times of 13:45 and 13:48, respectively.

Recently Joe has been working hard in order to break the school record for the two-and-a-half miles, which is 13:44 set by Tom Cawley in 1955.



by Doug Mellett

How again, Indians! With only the 'Turkey Bowl Classic' against Brooklyn Prep remaining on the Johnny Schedule, I decided to drop in on the downtown Blue Eagles. Not for ten years have the poor prepsters from Crown Heights tasted victory in this, the finest rivalry in the City. This year's squad at Brooklyn Prep does not appear strong enough to defeat the Redmen.

The main feature in his version of a backfield for the Eagles is senior half-back Al Milian. At 6'1" 175 lbs., Al has the size to cause trouble for the Injun line. His great speed and agility in the open field, make him dangerous as a runner and a long receiver for the forward pass.

The remainder of the Eagle backfield is completely new. With such stalwarts as Dave Schiebel, Dan Russo, and John O'Connor graduated, it is difficult to believe that this season's backs could match the former. It is in the line that the Eagles hope to outplay the Hessmen. From tackle to tackle the Crown Heights are about equal to the Redmen, but their ends can not hope to match the Injun pair.

As mentioned above, the Eagles have

not defeated a Redmen team for ten years now, and this does not appear to be the year for an upset. However, it should not be forgotten that in a game such as this, the team 'favorite' does not apply. For many years some of the most startling upsets have taken place on the turf at Brooklyn College.

Injun notes: The rumor that the Brooklyn Prep game will be played at Ebbet's field is not true. It will, in fact, remain at Brooklyn College Field. Game time is 10:30 A.M., but Prepsters are urged to come early. As printed in a local newspaper: "Floyd Cremish" (it was really Phil Boudjouk) averaged 10 yards per carry against Adams.

DON'T MISS THE BROOKLYN PREP GAME! Goodbye till next time. Peace!



Crusaders maintain religious store.

Crusaders Elect Executives Spark Weekly Mission Drives

One of the most praiseworthy extra-curricular activities in the Prep is the Crusaders Club, moderated by the Rev. John Pearce, C.M. The club recently elected Anthony LaMotta president and James Hennessy vice president. This faith-displaying group had its beginnings last year under the sponsorship of the Rev. Thomas Concagh, C.M. With the addition of some further rules, the club retains and strengthens its goal.

The object of the Crusaders calls for interest in the promotion of home and foreign missions. The club's threefold program of prayer for, study of, and sacrifice for the missions enables it to carry on its fine work. Under the ejaculation "The Sacred Heart for the World, the World for the Sacred Heart", the group dedicates itself.

The Crusaders hold their meetings every Monday afternoon, at which time they discuss the total weekly mission collection taken up in the home rooms. The members of the Crusaders plan to set up a religious article store on the first floor and to collect stamps to further help finance the mission field.

All the members of the club attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass weekly, while offering their prayers for the success of the missions.

Students Spend Day At Minor Seminary

At the invitation of the Administration of St. Joseph's Minor Seminary, 42 Prepsters made a field trip to Princeton, N. Y. They journeyed by bus Oct. 25. The Rev. Thomas V. Concagh, C.M., and the Rev. Thomas P. McGourty, C.M., had charge of the outing.

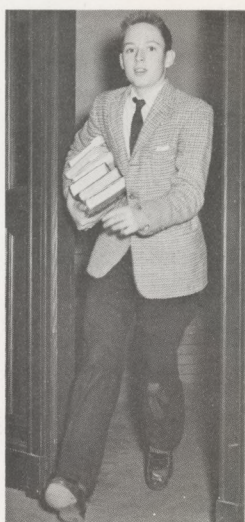
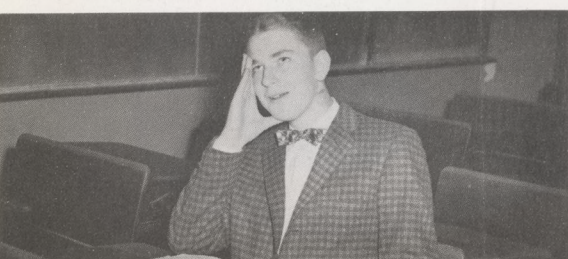
When the students arrived at the seminary, they were conducted on a tour of the grounds. Following this tour, they were served a dinner.

While there, the Prepsters met and talked with many graduates and undergraduates of the Prep, now studying to become Vincentians.

Sophomore Dilemmas



"Phony elevator passes won't get you anywhere."



5th floor at last.

Stunned after the bell.

Rhodes' Band Plays As Prepsters Swing During Thanksgiving, Victory Dance

Once again couples of St. John's were swinging to the Lindys, and Cha Chas of "Old Faithful", Wally Rhodes, Friday, November 21. Right from that first "hep" note at 8:30 to the singing of the school song at 12:30, couples gave their feet a tough going over. As usual, the meeting place for the hop fell in De Gray auditorium where 160 couples danced. Wally Rhodes has supplied St. John's with his rhythm since 1939, when he played for the Senior Prom.

McGrath Entertains, Tours Great Britain

As a result of defeating some 500 contestants, senior Joseph McGrath won top honors in the "Frankie Vaughan Talent Contest." This contest was conducted among members of the Boy's Club of America. As part of the prize Joe made a two week tour of Great Britain.

On October 18th, Joe departed for England via British Overseas Airline Corporation. During the two weeks of his stay, he performed in London and its suburbs, and toured the surrounding countryside.

Both before and after the trip Joe appeared on many network television shows, including, the "Dick Clark Show", and "Name That Tune."

Frosh Receives Letter From Von Braun's Staff Assistant

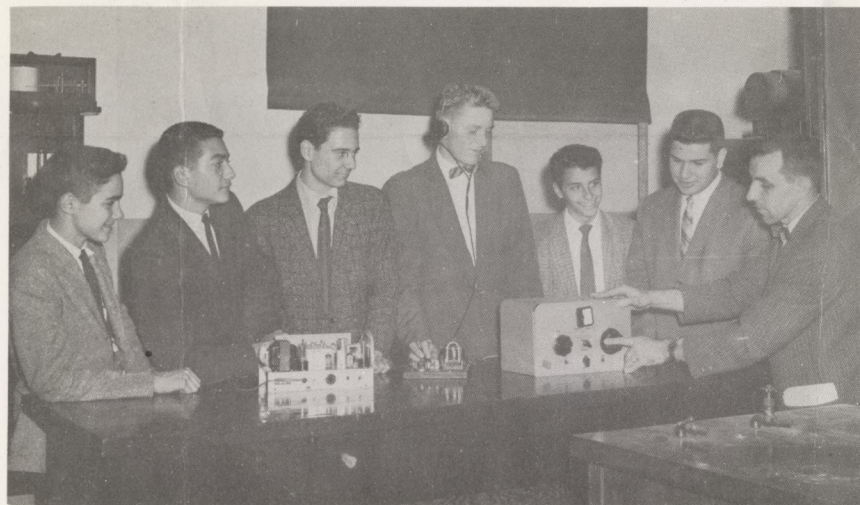
No hobby or interest appeals to present day Prepsters than that of rocket research and model making. Among the many freshmen who manifest a keen interest in this field, Robert Galaskas, Class 1-17, stands out as one of the most active.

Interested in this phase of science since his elementary school days, Robert recently received a letter from Lieutenant Ralph E. Jennings, Staff Assistant to Dr. Wernher Von Braun, encouraging him to continue his studies in the field of outer space. This letter came as a reply to Robert's questions to the world famous scientist.

Lieutenant Jennings, in his letter, stressed the importance of today's youth in the field of rocket research. He made it clear, however, that under no circumstances should an amateur indulge in actual rocket experiments. Any working model should be relegated to use under the guidance of a qualified organization or scientist.

In addition to this warning, Jennings suggested that Robert, as well as other future scientists, read and study Physics, since through this subject a knowledge of the principles of outer-space becomes more vivid.

Encouraged by this personal reply, Robert plans to take advantage of the new science curriculum offered to this year's freshmen. Along with the other freshmen who are interested in science, Robert will avail himself of special advance courses in this important phase of education.



Radio Club in action.

Radio Club Members Prepare Students For Novice Licenses

Although it has been in existence since only September, 1957, the radio club, moderated by Mr. Gerard Geis, has fulfilled its purpose, to acquaint students with radio theory and operating practices by assisting fifteen members to acquire "ham" licenses. Of these, eleven have earned novice licenses from the Federal Communications Commission, and three others have received general licenses.

The novice license may be obtained by passing a test on morse code and a small amount of radio theory. Following the expiration of this license one year later, a member may advance to a general license, under which he receives the maximum number of privileges given by the F.C.C. The test for this title consists of a more intense use of morse code, and a technical exam on radio theory.

Jame McDonnell, who has achieved a technical license, whereby he operates on high frequency only, holds the office of club president. Larry Ross serves as Vice-President, and Marty Ott as secretary. The latter two and Joseph Fogarty hold general licenses. They jointly instruct the five students now seeking their novice permits.

In addition to acquiring licenses, the members build, repair, and demonstrate radios, transmitters, and receivers. Individual members have contacted fellow "hams" from New York City, southern New England, and Michigan, and some as far away as France.

'58 Prep Shadows Wins Two Awards

"Prep Shadows", St. John's yearbook, has won two awards for the great edition published last year. It received a first place award from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, sponsored by the Journalism School of Columbia University. Prep Shadows has received awards from them for a number of years.

It also received a first place award from the National Scholastic Press Association conducted by the University of Minnesota. The yearbook has won a higher award from the Association this year than any other year since entering the competition. This encourages the staff to seek greater honors.

These awards justify the hard work of the yearbook staff in planning and editing it. This year the yearbook staff will try to present an even better production than that of last year.

Booster Club Perks Spirit During Games

The St. John's Prep Athletic Booster Club consists of about fifty members who encourage the Prepsters to attend the various athletic events. The Boosters, under the moderation of the Rev. Thomas P. McGourty, C.M., meet every Tuesday in Room 211, Lewis Avenue Building.

After noticing a lack of spirit in attending some athletic events, a group of students proposed to set up a club to perk up the student interest in sports in which the Prep participates. Under the direction of Jim (Chief Kive) Kivlehan, the club's president, the Boosters stimulated a large number of students to break all attendance records for most of these sports events.

The club consists of three divisions: the painters, the originators, and the press division. The painters, directed by Phil Conti, prepare the posters which line the walls of the corridors. The originators, headed by Bob Monaghan provide captions for these posters. The press division, whose chief is John Mullin, write the city newspapers in hope of getting some publicity from them.

Clubs 2:60

by John Devlin

The Latin Club, which meets bi-weekly on Wednesday, under the moderation of Mr. Richard von Starnitz, aims to increase a greater appreciation of the Latin language. Members will do research on word derivations and the analysis of the relationships between modern languages and the Latin language. A Latin journal, prepared by members of the club, will be submitted to the Latin students around the middle of the year.

Projects to spark interest and convey information in a fashionable manner will shortly commence to be exhibited. The members will visit classical museums and also see pictures about Roman history, culture, and the influence of ancient Rome on our Western civilization.

The members plan to discuss popular Latin idioms and the various questions involving Church and Classical Latin. Furthermore, the students will study the Latin mass and liturgy.

The "new look" in modern French politics has kindled a renewed interest among Prepsters in the French Club, moderated by Mr. Albert Cirillo. In order to show the transition from past history to the present, Mr. Cirillo plans to show films depicting the part France played in both World Wars as well as the cultural contributions of the French people.

The major activity of the club consists in publishing a Christmas journal. This will partially fulfill the major purpose of the club which strives to give its members a greater appreciation of the French language.

In addition, Mr. Cirillo will explain how the French language came about to the members in their bi-weekly meetings on Friday.

The twenty members of the club are presently investigating the possibility of attending a French play and enjoying the fine cuisine at a famous French cafe.